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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 7, 2002, please enter the following amendments and consider the appended remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 59 – 60 and 70 – 73 without prejudice.

Please replace claims 44, 48, 52, 55, 61 and 69 with following:

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44. (Twice Amended) A method for mechanochemical polishing, comprising:

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preparing a chemical solution that includes hydrogen peroxide water and abrasive grains made of chromium (III) oxide;